

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Happenings of the Day in Various Parts of the Nation's Capital.

The committee on organization of the Home Defense League, of which W. C. Sullivan is chairman, today began a campaign for new members. Yesterday the committee of twenty-five was divided into eight subcommittees with the following chairmen: P. B. Fletcher, Isaac Gans, Frank Metzger, Jesse Leventon, W. J. Kehoe, Julius Lansburgh, George Warrington, and L. C. Weld.

Major Pullman addressed the meeting. The league is to act as an auxiliary to the Police Department. Secretary Thomas Grant said application blanks have been sent to every member of the committee.

A meeting of subcommittee chairmen will be held in the board room of the District building Monday at 4 o'clock, followed by a meeting of the full committee on Wednesday.

Georgetown Loses Debate.

Georgetown University was defeated by the University of South Carolina in a debate on the question of establishing a minimum wage for factories, department stores, and workshops, at the Georgetown Law School last night. The Georgetown team was composed of Robert M. McCauley, John O'Day, Jr., and Norman E. Kane.

Dr. Shaw to Be Speaker.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, honorary president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, will be the speaker tomorrow afternoon at a tea in the headquarters of the association, 1235 Rhode Island avenue, in honor of officers and delegates of the National Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Association. Dr. Shaw will reach Washington tomorrow morning from an extended trip in the Southern States in behalf of suffrage.

Lecture by N. H. Darton.

An illustrated lecture which took the audience through the Southwestern part of the United States, depicting the life and customs of the Spanish settlers, was delivered by N. H. Darton, of the Geological Survey, at a meeting of the Spanish-American Athenaeum at Raucher's last night. A talk on the drama, "The World and His Wife," was given by Manuel Fraile, and Mrs. Raquel U. Otwell gave several vocal selections, accompanied by Miss Irene Hardesty.

Charities Volunteers Meet.

Volunteer workers of the Associated Charities met in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon and informally discussed their problems and duties.

Heretofore, it is stated, the relief workers have had monthly conferences with their division leaders. The meeting yesterday afternoon was composed of volunteer workers from every division.

Dr. Loren E. Johnson presided at the meeting yesterday afternoon. Others who were present were Louis A. Simon, Mrs. E. K. Dushes, Miss Emma Duke, Dr. W. A. Wanfield, Arthur D. Call, Dr. Frank O'Hara, Walter S. Ufford, and Mrs. Walter S. Ufford.

DAUGHTERS CO-OPERATE

Join Hands With Council of National Defense for Service.

Following the appointment of a national committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution to co-operate with the Council of National Defense, Mrs. George Thacher Guernsey, the new president general, has instructed all State regents to select committees.

Mrs. Guernsey hopes to have the entire membership of the D. A. R., 98,000 women, organized for national service within ten days. In accordance with the suggestion of the Council of National Defense, the daughters will "raise potatoes and corn" and exercise economy in all branches of housekeeping and living.

ROADS WIN FIRST POINT.

The railroads of the country won the first round in their battle for a 15 per cent rate increase before the Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday, when the commission decided that the roads could file supplemental tariffs providing for the increase, instead of drawing new tariff schedules.

KEY DESCENDANT IN WAR.

BALTIMORE, April 25.—Following in the footsteps of his illustrious ancestor, Francis Deuber, a direct descendant of Francis Scott Key, the author of "The Star-Spangled Banner," is now serving in the arm of our national defense which will be "first to fight"—the marine corps.

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INVITE BUSINESS WOMEN

Chamber of Commerce Will Include Them in Organization.

In its forward movement for a bigger and more effective organization, the Washington Chamber of Commerce has determined to include among its active workers the progressive business women of the city as well as the men. Directors who are working on the formation of the forward Washington committee of 100 advisers this morning determined to invite several women prominent in Washington business circles to serve on this committee and assist with their advice and suggestions.

This is a somewhat new departure in modern commercial organization work, but it is a departure which has been followed by several of the leading organizations of the country and followed, it is said, to distinct advantage to both the city and the organization.

MARINES TELL TALE OF STARRY BANNER

Give Patriotic Tableau to Inter-Young Men in Joining Service.

A dramatic tableau portraying the historic occasion which gave to Key the inspiration to compose "The Star-Spangled Banner" was presented by enlisted men of the United States marine corps at noon today at the second of a series of patriotic recruiting rallies being held at R. F. Keith's Theater.

The rally was under the direction of the marine corps, and was held for the purpose of interesting recruits.

The Marine Band, under Lieutenant Santelmann, gave a short patriotic concert in the lobby at 11:45, and at 12 o'clock marched into the theater, where several service selections were played.

Admiral Walnwright, who presided, in a short address set forth the attractive features of the marine corps as compared with other branches of the service. Other speakers were H. R. P. Macfarland and William H. Stayton, executive secretary of the Navy League.

Mr. Macfarland read portions of recent letters received from his nephew, William Strong, a Washingtonian, who has been fighting in France in a Canadian machine gun company.

MANY MOTOR MISHAPS

Some Persons Hurt, But All Will Recover.

Harry Dyer, twelve years old, of 2016 N street northwest, who was knocked down by a mail wagon at Thirty-first and M streets yesterday, is recovering at his home. His condition is not serious.

Four-year-old Mary C. Dillar, of 1118 G street southeast, who was run down by an automobile operated by Homer G. Welsh, near her home yesterday, also is recovering.

Automobiles operated by Sherwood King, thirty-two years old, of 514 Seventh street northeast, and William J. Kesler, of 1023 Seventh street northwest, were in collision in Fourth street, between G and H northeast last night. The machines were damaged, but neither was hurt. King was arrested and left \$30 collateral at the station house.

Theodore Wilkinson, of 2090 R street northwest, escaped injury last evening when his automobile crashed into a trolley pole on Connecticut avenue, near R street.

SEA LAW TO BE DEBATED

Experts on Maritime Principles to Meet Here Tonight.

Authorities on maritime law will discuss the status of armed merchantmen at the opening session tonight in the Willard of the eleventh annual convention of the American Society of International Law. The speakers will be Chandler P. Anderson, former counselor of the State Department, and Prof. Ellery C. Stowell, of Columbia University.

Elihu Root, president of the society, will open the session at 8 o'clock.

Attacks upon merchant vessels will be discussed tomorrow morning by Prof. Charles Cheney Hyde, of Northwestern University.

Lester H. Woolsey, solicitor for the State Department, will speak tomorrow morning on "Some Economic Aspects of International Organization." Maintenance of peace after the war will be discussed informally.

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—IN—
'LAW OF COMPENSATION'
Gripping American Drama—8 P.m.

HIS ARMOR TURNS BULLET AT 60 FEET

Dr. Brewster, Inventor, Hit Over Heart in a Daring Test.

Before United States army and New Jersey militia officers and representatives of Governor Edge, Dr. Guy Brewster, a widely known eye, nose and ear specialist of Dover, N. J., submitted yesterday to a test of a bulletproof headgear and body armor of his invention, according to reports received here today by army experts.

Wearing the armor, Dr. Brewster stood in Oram's sandpit, Dover, sixty feet away, and faced Sgt. George Chiswell, a sharpshooter of Company C Fifth Regiment, N. G. N. J., who used an army rifle of latest type, which shoots a bullet at a speed of 2,749 feet per second, and with an impact of 2,400 pounds.

Bullets Glance Off.

Sergeant Chiswell fired and the bullet struck the armor directly over the physician's heart. It did not even dent the armor, but left a scar of fine markings like the design of a rising sun and glanced off.

Bullet proof helmets and jackets have been tried in Europe, but while they stopped the bullets, they failed to absorb the shock or impact and left their wearers paralyzed. To show there was no such effect upon the wearer of his invention, Dr. Brewster, who is far from robust and sixty years old, immediately after the shooting charged up the side of the sandpit, ran on level ground, and went through a manual of rifle, sabre and bayonet drill and hand grenade throwing.

The armor weighs thirty pounds. It has a helmet like those of ancient knights and, under intense fire, the soldier can close metal shutters over the eyes. The body piece comes down well over the hips.

Dr. Brewster had already placed the invention under the consideration of the Department of Ordnance, which reported favorably on its theoretical secret of the distribution of the shock of impact, and the result was yesterday's test, which Lieut. Edwin L. Fiegenspan, representative of Governor Edge, declared a complete success.

Army Report to Be Made.

The regular army officers might not express their opinion save in the report they will make to the Ordnance Department. They were Major J. C. Nichols, Capt. C. T. Harris, and Lieut. Russell L. Maxwell, of the Government arsenal at Picatinny, N. J.

Dr. Brewster said he had worked on the invention fully eight years, and declares it would be invaluable in trench warfare. He said his own demonstration yesterday showed it was practicable for use in infantry charges.



Don't say woolens can't be washed in hot water

Many a young mother hesitates over the first washing of baby's clothes—actually dreads to risk the precious little garments to soap and water.

Will the soft, fluffy woolens shrink and grow harsh?

Will they come out of the wash with their fluffy softness all gone?

Don't hesitate for a moment.

Thousands of women have found that there is one absolutely safe way to wash these little treasures.

Get a package of Lux at your grocer's, or in department stores and wash them the Lux way.

Shake these pure soap flakes

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ELIHU ROOT AGREES TO HEAD MISSION

Former Secretary of State Tells Wilson He Will Go to Russia.

Elihu Root, former Secretary of State, today accepted the chairmanship of the American commission which is going to Russia.

Root conferred with President Wilson today for an hour as to the purposes of the commission and then talked with Secretary Lansing.

Root would not discuss in any way the commission's plans; in fact, would say nothing whatever as to his connection with it, preferring to let Secretary Lansing make any announcements.

The full personnel of the commission, which, in addition to Root, is to include railroad experts, financial authorities, and two or three other prominent representatives of America's business and scientific life, will be announced very soon.

Realizing that the need of immediately extending assistance of all kinds to the Russian government, it is the purpose of the President to send the commission abroad as quickly as the business affairs of the members can be settled.

However, the same secrecy as to details of leaving and route will be maintained as was practiced concerning the French and British commissions sent here.

Root's selection and his acceptance was taken as the final sign of a complete American political unity for the war. Root having been one of the President's most ardent political critics, and Roosevelt's former premier.

STUDENTS RAISE FLAG.

Fifty students of the Jesuit College of the Sacred Heart, Woodstock, Md., yesterday raised the Stars and Stripes on a pole on the bank of the Patuxent river, near the institution. The flag was blessed by the Rev. John P. Hanselman, president.

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Lots of High-Grade Boots and Low Shoes

\$3.35

—You will need no second invitation—the headline fixes in your mind just what to expect. But for the benefit of those who have never attended one of these sales we briefly mention what will be seen in this one.

- 1,000 Pairs Sample Models, latest novelties in spring and summer styles.
- Colonial pumps, slippers, strap effects, English pumps, and oxfords, regular lace oxfords.
- In colors, combination effects, two tones, tan, bronze, white, patent and doll leathers.
- Leathers are calf, kidskin, buck, suede, and fabrics, sizes 3 to 4½. At \$3.35.
- 150 Pairs High Lace Boots, samples, in novelty and combination effects; also in plain colors, and black, and white; new type lasts, and different style heels, leather or covered. Sizes 3 to 4½. At \$3.35.
- 100 Pairs of white "Reignskin" Cloth high lace boots. Plain and tapering toes, light weight soles, Louis covered heels, metal plate under top lift. All sizes, at \$3.35.
- 250 Pairs New Astor and Kenmore Pumps, in gun-metal kid, or patent leather; new "Tor-pe-toe" last, medium turned soles, leather heels, all sizes and widths, at \$3.35.

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Extra 900 Yards of
Fine Silk Finished
English
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36 Inches Wide.

LENGTHS range from 2 to 10 yards. This is your opportunity to buy your material for fine summer lingerie, etc., at a special price, if you HURRY—quantity is limited. Values from 19c to 35c yd.

Special Yard.. 16c

Kann's—Street Floor.

Trimmed Hats

CHOICE—\$2.95
\$5.00 Values

—Two tables of these trimmed hats, early spring styles, which we must clear out to make room for midsummer models.

—Silk, straw, and combinations of the two materials, trimmed with flowers, ribbons, ornaments, and feather fancies.

—Variety of colors to select from.

SPORT HATS, many with facings in different colors, and ribbon bands to match the facing. Majority in mushroom sailor styles. Choice..... **\$3.50**

Kann's—Second Floor.

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—Women who know waist values will be quick to appreciate the opportunities here offered them to secure their summer supplies.

Fine White Voiles, Values to \$1.50
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White Waists with sport collars in colored designs. Black and white striped effects.

Finished with large collars.
Bargain Table—Street Floor.

FOURTH FLOOR SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY

—Baby Go-Cart, Heywood and Wakefield make, slightly broken rear. Regular price, \$22.50.
Special Friday, \$16.50

—Ortolo Go-Baskets, just fine for baby's outing, made of reed throughout, with adjustable back. Regularly \$7.49 to \$12.00.
Special Friday, \$4.95

—Three Collapsible Go-Carts, steel frames, leatherette hoods; salesmen's samples. Regularly \$8.95 to \$9.95.
Special Friday, \$2.95

—1 Baby Hammock, complete with springs and standard. Regularly \$4.95.
Special Friday, \$3.95

—1 Baby Swing, steel construction; adjustable. Regularly \$2.95.
Special Friday, \$1.95

—4 Porch Swings, complete with frame, canopy, and chains. Just the thing for lawn use. Attractive and substantial. Regularly \$7.90.
Special Friday, \$5.95

Kann's—Fourth Floor.

USEFUL LENGTHS OF WASH GOODS AT A YD. — 12½c

—Because it is so difficult to secure good wearing, and reliable Wash Goods at such a little price regularly, these sales of remnant lengths of such well-known fabrics as—
—PERCALES—MADRAS—COTTON CREPES—GINGHAMS—
and equally desirable Wash Goods—are eagerly welcomed, and the response shows how alert are Washington shoppers to recognize good values. In tomorrow's lot are fabrics selling up to 25c a yard. Choice at 12½c a yard.

Kann's—Bargain Table—Street Floor.

APRONS AND PETTICOATS ODD LOTS TO CLOSE OUT

—Bungalow Aprons, small lot, round neck style, of striped and plain figured percales. Choice..... **39c**

—Bungalow Aprons, good quality percales, fitted with rubber at waist, square neck style. 75c value. Special tomorrow..... **59c**

—Sateen Petticoats, small lot, colors are amethyst, Belgian blue, navy, Russian green, different lengths. At choice..... **75c**

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